Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held January 14, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, Bountiful, Utah.

4	Present:	Mayor:	John R. Cushing
5		Council Members:	Samuel R Fowler

Council Members: Samuel R. Fowler, Barbara Holt, Alan A.

Johnson, Stewart Knowlton and C.

City Manager: Tom Hardy
City Attorney: Russell Mahan
City Engineer: Paul Rowland
Administrative Services Dir. Galen Rasmussen

Department Heads: Neal Jenkins, Parks/Recreation

Paul Rapp, Police

Distinguished Visitors: Senator Lane Beattie

Rep. Sheryl Allen Rep. Susan Koehn

Recording Secretary: Nancy T. Lawrence

Official Notice of this meeting had been given by posting a written notice of same and an Agenda at the City Hall and providing copies to the following newspapers of general circulation: Davis County Clipper, Deseret News, and Salt Lake Tribune.

Mayor Cushing called the meeting to order, following which he led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The invocation was offered by Councilman Shafter.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held January 7, 1998 were presented and unanimously approved as written on a motion made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Fowler.

EXPENDITURES AND EXPENSES APPROVED FOR TWO DECEMBER PERIODS

Mayor Cushing presented the Expenditure and Expense Report for the Period December 29-31, 1997 in the amount of \$677,815.92; and the Summary of Expenditures and Expenses for the Month of December, 1997 in the amount of \$2,845,582.00. Mr. Rasmussen indicated that there were no corrections to either report and they were both approved by unanimous vote on a motion made and seconded by Councilmen Shafter and Johnson, respectively.

<u>CONSIDER COMPRESSOR UPDATE -</u> RECREATION CENTER ICE ARENA

Mr. Jenkins reported that the compressor system for the Bountiful Ice Arena is approaching 24 years old. Last May a cell test of the floor system (approximately 4-5 miles of copper piping) was conducted by a specialist and this equipment was found to be in good condition. However, the specialist suggested that the mechanical system be updated. Inasmuch as the compressor system is the heart of the rink, it is the recommendation of staff that this work be done and \$70,000 is included in this year's budget to cover this work.

Mr. Jenkins reviewed the list of services required to update the compressor system to a computer-controlled system and recommended that the work be done by Thermex Corporation Ice Rink Specialists. The quote of \$68,490.00 includes start-up and training of four personnel and a two-year warranty on all new equipment. Following a brief discussion, Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the upgrade as explained and recommended by staff.

Councilman Shafter seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

SINGLE EVENT PERMIT APPROVED FOR

ST. OLAF'S ANNUAL AUCTION

Mr. Mahan presented the request of St. Olaf's Catholic Church for a single event permit to be approved for an auction to be held on April 25, 1998 from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. He recommended that the request be approved and noted that it complies with the City's revised ordinance. Councilman Fowler motioned for approval, Councilwoman Holt seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

DISCUSSION OF 1998 LEGISLATIVE ISSUES WITH LEGISLATORS

Mr. Hardy reviewed prominent issues which will be considered by the State legislature during the current session, noting that over 500 bills have been filed so far. Electrical deregulation, listing of towing companies for motor vehicles, a bill dealing with inattentive driving (aimed at cell phones), changes in the municipal government associated with incorporation, and permitting immunity from liability for activities such as skateboarding, sledding, etc. are issues which will be followed by the City.

In response to a question from Councilwoman Holt, Senator Beattie explained the procedure that is followed for reducing the number of bills and eliminating those that are outdated. He then reviewed the key issues to be considered during this legislative session. The issue of funding for transportation projects already approved will be the main focus. He noted that there is a move to eliminate property tax; however, an alternative funding source (or sources) has not been identified. He stated that there will not be a tax increase from this session. He said there is a growing concern with impact fees, and legislation will be directed toward this; however, he felt it would not impact Bountiful because the City has acted with prudence on this issue. He stated that we need more study on the electrical utility de-regulation issue and the two-year task force should have been left in place. However, this matter will be considered in this session.

Representative Koehn stated that the taxing issues and impact fees will probably be the most significant, together with the subject of how the transportation projects will be funded. Due to differences of opinion for the Legacy highway, this project will be delayed for a year. Rep. Koehn reviewed a bill she is sponsoring which will amend the conditions required by the outdoor advertising act to bring the State into compliance and be able to qualify for federal transportation funding.

 Representative Allen reported that in her recent community meetings, the citizens expressed appreciation for the City of Bountiful, the quality of life enjoyed here, and the way in which the elected officials carry out their responsibilities. She stated that the property tax issue will be one of the major issues for the legislature and that she would prefer to have alternative funding sources identified prior to changing the present taxing structure. She is sponsoring a quick court amendment which will permit simple legal actions to be transacted at a kiosk. She is hopeful of using the Internet as a part of this process.

Mayor Cushing thanked the legislators for their attendance and complimented them on *Page 2*

1	the manner in which they represent the community.		
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3	COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS		
4	Councilman Fowler noted that Mayor Cushing has recently been honored by being		
5	appointed to fill the unexpired term of the president of the Utah league of Cities and Towns.		
6	Mayor Cushing expressed appreciation for the vote of confidence and indicated that he is		
7	looking forward to working with elected officials across the state.		
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9	Councilman Johnson reported that the Youth Council will be sending a delegation of 1		
10	members to the Local Officials Day at the Legislature on January 21 st .		
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12	EXECUTIVE SESSION SCHEDULED		
13	At 8:22 p.m. Councilman Fowler made a motion to adjourn to executive session for		
14	the purpose of discussing pending litigation and personnel. Councilman Shafter seconded the		
15	motion and voting was unanimous.		
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25	KIM COLEMAN, City Recorder		
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